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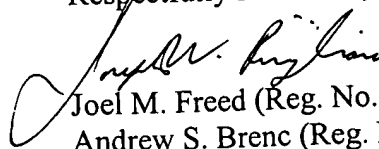
1. Information Disclosure statement and 54 accompanying references;
2. a PTO form 1449, four (4) pages, listing fifty-four (54) references; and
3. a return postcard.

A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date of these documents and returned to our courier.

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